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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON SWAPO DELEGATES
TO UN MEETING IN NEW YORK ON NAMIBIA

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EMBASSY, WORKING WITH BRITISH HICOM, HAS COME UP WITH ONLY
SKETCHY BIO INFORMATION ON THE MEMBERS OF THE SWAPO DELEGATION
AS FOLLOWS:

---HIDIPO HAMUTENYA: CURRENT ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR POLITICAL
STUDIES AT LUSAKA UN INSTITUTE FOR NAMIBIA. PREVIOUSLY RE-
SPONSIBLE FOR EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS. IMPRESSED BRITISH AS
RELATIVELY EFFICIENT AND GAVE AN IMPRESSION OF CARRYING SOME
WEIGHT WITH MORE JUNIOR SWAPO MEMBERS. HE IS ABLE TO DISCUSS
ISSUES SENSIBLY, PROBABLY SOCIALIST ORIENTATED BUT WITHOUT
PARTICULAR AXE TO GRIND. HE ALSO HAS A UNIVERSITY DEGREE
IN POLITICAL SCIENCE.

---GREENWELL MATONGO: CAPRIVI AND MEMBER OF BOTH SWAPO
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE AND PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY OF NAMIBIA,
SWAPO'S MILITARY WING.

---ERNEST TJIRIANGE: OVAMBO, LEGAL AFFAIRS SECRETARY AND
PRO-SOVIET.

---HIWANWA SHIHEPO: OVAMBO, DEPUTY FOREIGN AFFAIRS SECRETARY,
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AFRICAN SOCIALIST WITH SOVIET LEANINGS. NOT KNOWN TO BRITISH
UNTIL RECENTLY WHEN HE HEADED A SWAPO DELEGATION TO MEET UK
FOREIGN SECRETARY. IMPRESSED BRITISH AS INTELLIGENT AND NOT
UNWILLING TO LOOK AT NEW IDEAS.

---MARK BOMANI: FORMER ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TANZANIA, DEPUTY
DIRECTOR OF UN INSTITUTE FOR NAMIBIA. HE HAS BEEN WORKING
ON DRAFT CONSTITUTION FOR NAMIBIA OVER PAST YEARS. BOMANI

COMES FROM AN AFFLUENT AND INFLUENTIAL FAMILY WHICH INCLUDES HIS BROTHER PAUL, CURRENT TANZANIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES. MARK BOMANI IS UNIVERSITY EDUCATED WITH A LAW DEGREE, PREGARIOUS, ARTICULATE, AND VERY SOPHISTICATED. HE IS A STAUNCH DEFENDER OF ONE PARTY "PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACIES" AND LIKES TO POINT TO TANZANIA'S EXPERIENCE AS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW VOTERS WITHIN A ONE PARTY GOVERNMENT STILL HAVE A CHOICE OF CANDIDATES (HIS BROTHER AND A LARGE NUMBER OF INCUMBENTS WERE DEFEATED IN TANZANIA'S FIRST GENERAL ELECTION DESPITE BEING PITTED AGAINST VIRTUALLY UNKNOWN CANDIDATES). BOMANI'S MOVE TO ZAMBIA TO HIS PRESENT JOB FROM HIS FORMER POSITION IN TANZANIA WOULD APPEAR TO BE A STEP DOWN AND THE REASON FOR HIS ACCEPTING THE CHANGE IS NOT CLEAR.

---KAPUKA NAUYALA (NICKY NAUYALA): OVAMBO, PERSONAL SECRETARY TO NUJOMA. BRITISH CATEGORIZE HIM AS PRO-SOVIET, OPPORTUNIST. IN EMBASSY'S DEALING WITH HIM IN PREPARATION FOR DELEGATIONS DEPARTURE, WE FOUND HIM KNOWLEDGEABLE, ARTICULATE AND ABLE TO SPEAK AUTHORITATIVELY ON ISSUES OF CONCERN TO SWAPO.
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